












Go look for
yourself...
You're going
to love what
you see

Commanding General of Fort Polk
BG James C. Yarbrough

Supported Population

**MILITARY POPULATION		
OPS GRP 	1,136	
4/10 BCT 	3,634	
1 MEB 	3,080	
USAG 	222	
HQ JRTC 		
115 CSH 	344	
MEDDAC 	555	
DENTAC 	22	
162d TT 	(820)	
OTHER	63	
TOTAL	9,876	

**ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY/FAMILY MEMBERS (HOME STATION)		
Residing on Post	5,358	
Family Members on Post	6,573	
Residing off Post	3,698	
Family Members off post ***	9,689	
TOTAL	25,318	

PROJECTED MILITARY STRENGTH * FY2008-FY2014

FY08	FY09	FY10	FY11	FY12	FY13	FY14
9,058	9,876	10,152	10,103	10,124	11,343	11,343

* Authorized Strength 2 Jul 2008.

** Assigned Strength 6 Aug 08

*** Calculated based on 2.62 X (MIL)

OTHER	
Retired Military (DOD)	25,830
Family Members (DoD)	46,494
Rotational Troops (Monthly Avg)	3,234
Army Civilian Employees (+NAF)	1,894
PX, Contractor, Other Civilians	4,738

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Come See What We've Done!



Palmetto Terrace Housing

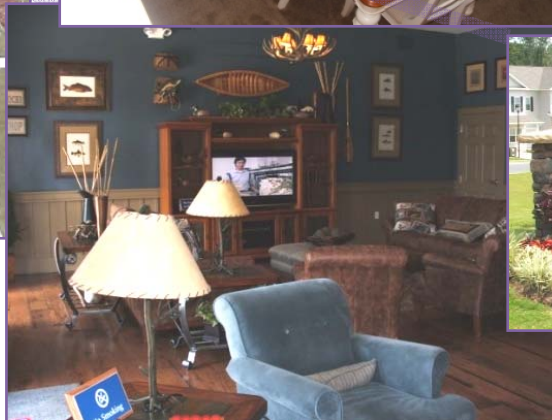


Neighborhood Center

Picerne Military Housing
\$240M Investment
A Strategic Impact



Welcome Home!



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Quality of Life – Priority #1

AAFES Main Post Exchange
\$20M Planned Completion FY10



Leesville High School
Proposed State Funding



Staybridge Suites
Planned FY11 – Privately Funded



Child Development Center
(School Aged Services) FY 09 - \$6M



VA Clinic
Approved- Fort Polk



State-of-the-Art
Labor & Delivery Suite



Fort Polk Museum
Proposed \$8M - FY13 completion



Huddle House



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Showboat
Dinner Theater



Arts & Crafts
Center



Wheelock Fitness Center



Newly Renovated
Strike Zone and Spacetime Lounge



Skate Park

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One of the Army's Top Priorities!

**Installation Access
Control Point \$1M**



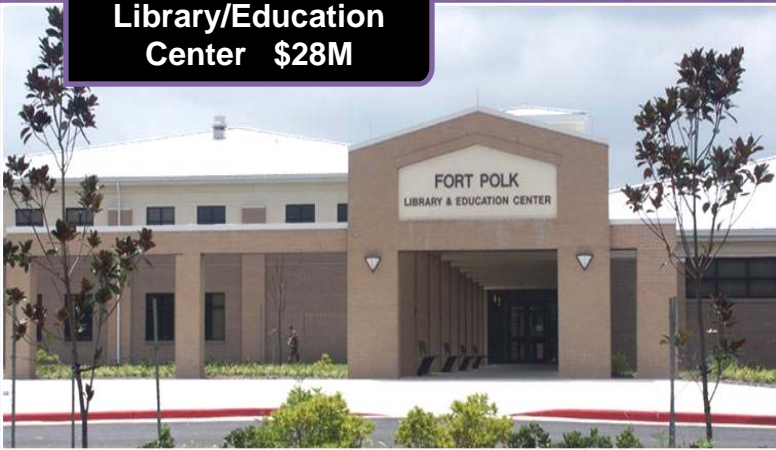
**Barracks Upgrades - \$227M
Single Soldier Configuration**



Warrior Transition Unit \$39M



**Library/Education
Center \$28M**



**4/10 Brigade
Headquarters \$9.8M
FY09 Construction Start**



**CACTF - \$25M
Combined Arms Collective Training
Facility – Sep 08**



Fort Polk Continues to Grow



JRTC & Fort Polk Something For Everyone



Cajun Fest



Neil McCoy



Recreational Ranges



Unit Sports Program



JRTC & Fort Polk Toledo Bend





Annual Economic Impact



• Military Pay	\$ 384,000,000
• Military & Civilian Retiree Pay	\$ 312,000,000
• Civilian Pay	\$102,000,000
• Contracts	\$ 324,000,000
• Residential Communities Initiative (RCI)	\$ 42,000,000
• Utilities	\$ 15,000,000
• Supplies & Equipment	\$ 100,000,000
• Major Construction	\$ 71,000,000
• Impact Aid for Local Schools	<u>\$ 6,000,000</u>
	\$1,356,000,000

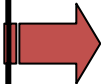
Annual Economic Impact

Military Population Vernon Parish Schools

SCHOOL	2007-08 SCHOOL YEAR	MILITARY POPULATION	% MILITARY
Elementary School*	4245	1566	36%
Middle School	1367	478	34%
Junior High School	1366	405	29%
High School	2293	507	22%
TOTAL	9271	2956	31%

*This year Pre K was included in the totals..

% of Military Population by School Year



Impact Aid for Local Schools: \$6M

SCHOOL YEAR	% MILITARY STUDENT POPULATION
2001-2002	33.6%
2002-2003	34.2%
2003-2004	35.2%
2004-2005	36.8%
2005-2006	32.3%
2006-2007	30.8%
2007-2008	31%

Vernon Parish Schools

- Vernon Parish is ranked 3rd in the state of LA in District Performance Scores*
- LA is ranked 1st in the nation in efforts to improve teacher quality**
- LA is ranked 2nd in the nation in Standards and Accountability**



Sources:

* <http://vpsb.k12.la.us/>

** Louisiana Department of Education

Education Accomplishments

- Waiting time for entering the Gifted and Talented Program down from 60 days to 15 days due to new enrollment criteria
- Schools offering SAT Prep Course
- Increased advanced placement courses at Leesville and Pickering high schools
- Honors classes offered at elementary level
- Implementation of the Interactive Counseling Center at Leesville and Pickering high schools
- Vernon Parish local school websites are being updated and maintained
- Parent Command Center has been implemented
- LA4 Pre-K4 Program established and funded
- Spouses to Teachers Program

Army Community Heritage Partnership Program (A-CHPP)

Fort Polk/Leesville, Louisiana



1. Serve the needs of the Army "family"
2. Encourage increased economic vitality in the adjacent historic commercial districts
3. Create visual and physical linkages
4. Investigate the potential for a heritage tourism strategy

**HOW DO YOU
LIKE ME NOW!**